

REMARKS

In the above-mentioned Office Action, the Examiner set forth a provisional, double patenting rejections of all of the pending claims, claims 1-20, of the present application over the claims of co-pending patent applications of application serial numbers 10/787,901 and 10/766,559.

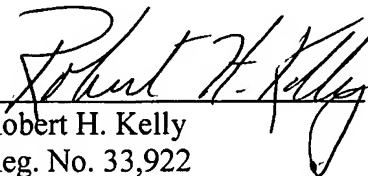
Responsive to the provisional, double-patenting rejection, terminal disclaimers are enclosed herewith disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on the present application that would extend beyond the terms of any patents that might issue on the co-pending applications.

The preamble parts of claims 1 and 17 have also been amended. The amendments are made to increase the clarity of the respective claims.

In light of the foregoing, therefore, independent claims 1 and 17, and the dependent claims dependent thereon, are believed to be in condition for the Examiner's reexamination and consideration for allowance. Accordingly, reexamination and consideration for allowance of the claims is respectfully requested. Such early action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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